



Location: Virtual



Date: March 3, 2022



Time: 0930 – 1000 hours

Convoy Protest CCG Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Jason Reynar, James Chacko, Joe Mancina, Jason Moore, Chief Mizuno, Deputy Bellaire, Chris Nepszy, Carolyn Brown, Ray Mensour, Deputy Waffle, Deputy Wilker, Andrew Teliszewsky, Ryan Lemay, Shauna Boakes, Emily Bertram, Susanne Hutnik

CAO: This will be one of the last meetings for the protest.

Deputy Bellaire: We opened up Dorchester and Huron Church, are removing a lot of the Jersey barriers and are slowly opening Huron Church up. There are a lot of obligations and accountability on our part, which may lead others to think we are moving slowly. There is a Freedom Chain Event that we have to confirm is not going to affect us here locally. It is a demonstration against everything. We are making



calls and following social media traction. It looks like it is not going to impact Windsor but WPS is not sure just yet.

CAO: Is there a line of site for removal of the barriers and opening intersections?

Deputy Bellaire: Within 10 days.

CAO: The removal of barriers appears to be happening at night. Is there a reason that is occurring at night and not on days as there are budget concerns?

Deputy Bellaire: We are opening at night because openings are preferable at night. We were told by City staff that operationally it was more easily facilitated on evenings that is why it is done at night. It does not matter to us if it happens at day or at night but the city says it is more easily facilitated at night.

CAO: Shauna can you circle back with the deputy to provide clarification on this?

Shauna: Yes.

Deputy Bellaire: J Crowley and K DeGraaf are the ICs day to day. Shauna, you can connect with them directly to make whatever needs to happen, happen.

Andrew: On the scheduling piece for removal of the barriers overnight, we had contact with [REDACTED] from [REDACTED] complaining that the barriers were coming down during the day and they were impacting his establishment by blocking traffic to his store.

Deputy Bellaire: From WPS it is unfortunate he feels that way, but it has no bearing on what we are doing. You can direct him to WPS. We have spoken with him already and are trying to make it good for him too. You may direct him to the Windsor Police.

CAO: Can I look to you Deputy Bellaire on the value of continuing these meetings or switch to a quick email update? Can we stand down and provide updates by email?

Deputy Bellaire: Yes, but tomorrow might be another story. Our counterparts have learned that the slow withdrawal method has a positive impact on the probability of no further protesting. People need



to know we are doing this slowly by lessons learned from other municipalities. If anything significant occurs we will send an email to the right person. Everyone has my email.

CAO: To return to regular CCG meeting cadence for COVID following this meeting and we can drop the Protest meetings. Still doing activity at the federal level on cost recovery. The letter is hot and ready to roll. Remember we are looking for a range of costs and not specific to the penny amounts.

Joe: We are working on pulling that together. We have some sense on what is to come. The work orders and invoices are taking time. We are working with Melissa Brindley and she already has OT numbers and Jersey barrier costs. We do not want to estimate too low. In the next few days we will have a better idea.

Ryan: Who can I put our Finance people in touch with Joe, on how to lay it out and tracking?

Joe: They can reach out to me directly.

CAO: We will schedule the debrief on the broader CCG Table. Thank you for putting your thoughts together on positives and negatives and how much we can put to the province and the feds.

Andrew: There was a debrief in Toronto hosted by U of T or a law school on this, about Ottawa vs Windsor. The panelists said Windsor did it properly and Ottawa did not. This information came from one reputable source from Toronto.

CAO: Good news on business supports that Andrew and team are working on.

Jason Reynar adjourned the meeting at 0945 hours.

Minutes taken by: Susanne Hutnik

Minutes approved by: Emily Bertram